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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Room TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Oral *Ex Parte* Communication, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Madam Secretary:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1206, we hereby provide you with notice of an oral *ex parte* presentation in connection with the above-captioned proceedings. On Thursday, June 26, 2003, Frank DiRico and Larry Aisenbrey of N.E. Colorado Cellular, Inc. ("NECC") and undersigned counsel met with William Maher, Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Carol Matthey, Deputy Bureau Chief, Narda Jones, Legal Counsel to the Bureau Chief, Eric Einhorn, Chief of the Telecommunications Access Policy Division, and Paul Garnett, Acting Assistant Division Chief, to discuss several issues affecting the company.

NECC discussed the need for the Commission to approve the service area redefinition petitions filed by the Colorado PUC pursuant to Section 54.207(c) of the FCC's rules. NECC also discussed its ETC status in Colorado, including its response to the recent letter from the Assistant Attorney General of Colorado to the FCC.

Sincerely,

/s/

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